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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

The Selectmen of Douglas respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Jan. 31, 1878.

	TO	WN CL	ERK.			
J. B. Williams,		-		-		\$78.13
L. C. Keith,	₹,		-		- ′	8.46
						\$86.59
	TI	REASU	RER.			
Asa Thayer, -		-		-		\$83.50
SELECTMEN	AND	OVERS	EERS	OF	THE P	POOR
	376,	0 1 1110				\$86.00
/	376 .	-		-		65.60
Brigham Morse, 18			-		-	35.50
	376,	-		-		12.00
Jesse Chase, 18	76.		-		-	7.00
Caleb Hill, 18	377,	-		-		30.00
						\$236.10
	Al	SSESSO	RS.			
S. W. Potter,		_		_		\$85.00
C. F. Rawson,			_			61.30
J. E. Cummings,						75.83
0. 2. Cummings,						
						\$222,13
A	SCHOO	L COM	MITT	EE.		
W. D. Jones,	-		-		-	\$38.00
N. W. Preston,		-		-		50.00
						\$88.00
	TAX	COLLI	ECTOR			
N. W. Preston,	-		•		•	\$145.00
SEALER (OF WE	IGHTS	AND	MEA	SURE	S.
Asa Thayer,		-		-		\$7.00

CONSTABLE'S FEES.

Charles Marcier,	- \$9.82
SEXTON'S FEES.	
David Richardson,	- \$44.00
TRAMPS.	
N. H. Jones, for locking up and feeding 139	Γramps, \$15.48
Chas. Marcier, " 344	" 68.80
F. B. Knapp, for lodging 9	" 2.25
Asa Thayer, for dealing out tickets and	6 694
recording 211 Jones Brothers, for wood for Lock-up,	6.24 2.30
J. M. Rawson, "	4.12
0. H. Ha Wooll,	7.12
	\$99.19
STATE AID.	
Arena E. Chapman, -	\$48.00
Elizabeth Hudson,	- 48.00
George A. Gleason, -	36.00
Hiram Ward,	- 72.00
Lucina P. Sibley, -	48.00
George F. Marcy, -	- 72.00
Lewis Mountain,	15.00
Patrick Bresenham,	3.00
	\$342,00
PAID FOR SCHOOL PURP	POSES.
D:-24 No. 1	#200.70
Dis't No. 1	- \$360.79 252.90
" 3.	- 604.42
" 4	239.41
" 5	222.26
6. 6.	249.62
" 7	- 247.23
" 8,	170.00
" 9	• 631.54
" 10.	414.87
	\$3,393.04
Grammar School, -	- \$968.32

NEW STONE CULVERT.

Paid Horace	Batcheller, for buildi	ng C	Culvert,		\$921.75
Paid Horace	Batcheller, for buil	ding	19 rod	ls of	
	ear Nelson Potter's,	as	10 .00	.5 01	\$60.00
Itoau iit	sai Neison I occers,				\$00.00
Paid Horace	Batcheller, for repair	ing I	Depot R	oad,	\$283.50
DED	AIDS OF HIGHW	4 370	4.377)	DDIDGI	10
REP	AIRS OF HIGHWA	413	AND	BKIDGE	(A).
Dis't No. 1.	Edwin Esten,	_			\$50.85
2.	Erastus Vickers,		-		54.12
. 3.	Retus Walling,				38.54
" 4.	Alonzo Jillson,			93,15	
" 4.	John Hilton, -		-	30.00—	123.15
" 5.	C. W. Potter,	-		,	36.20
" 6.	J. O. Simpson,		-	77. 75	
6.	J. H. Dudley,	-		10.00	
6.	John Hilton, -		•	69.89	
6.	A. F. Jillson,	-		13.56—	171.20
" 7.	N. G. Dudley -		-		56.38
" 8.	W. J. Wellman,	-			47.57
" 9.	Amos Humes,		-		87,40
" 10.	George D. Adams,	-			59.00
" 11.	E. B. Knapp,		-		115.27
" 12.	Hartford Thompson,	-			64.00
" 13.	Suel E. Chase,		-		45.65
" 14.	Silas Dudley,	-			53.40
" 15.	Joseph Briggs,		-		114.55
" 16.	Gilbert Yates,	-			57.20
" 17.	Mason Brown,		-		275.48
. 18.	Doris T. Young,	-		0	82.51
" 19.	Smith H. Thayer,		•	42.10	
" 19.	C. F. Rawson,	-		35.00—	77.10
" 20.	Benjamin Whiting,		-		34.17
" 21.	O. W. Adams,	-			68.37
" 22. " 23	o: n				00.10
ه لا ش	Simon Rawson,		-		63.10
±4.	Ellis Fairbanks,	•			35.80
20.	Joel Taft,		-		45.00
" 26. " 27.	Harvey Wakefield,	•			53.97 50.25
27. 28.	Henry D. Wallis, P. D. Fitts,		•	62.85	30.23
" 28. " 28.	Horace Batcheller,	-		53.94—	116.79
" 29.	Collins Chase,		-	00.54-	48.00
25.	Commis Chase,				40.00

\$2,125.02

REMOVING SNOW FROM HIGHWAYS. Dis't No. 1. \$22.00 66 2. 38.80 66 3. 7.35 66 4. 8.95 5. 6.10 66 6. 3.20 66 7. 25.40 66 8. 32.90 66 9. 49.80 10. 17.40 11. 66 6.15 66 12. 20.00 66 13. 7.40 66 14. 28.0515. 25.10 66 17. 9.64 66 18. 17.80 66 19. 17.60 20. 22.0046 21. 16.80 66 22. 20.65 23. 66 49.65 24. 32.27 66 25. 12.40 66 26. 13.65 66 27. 13.00 28. 21.80 29. 45.55 \$591.41 EXPENSE OF LITIGATION ON DR. WOOD FUND. E. B.Knapp, for summoning witnesses, 7.50Bacon & Hopkins, for council, 235.84 A. F. Brown, for services, 35.25 \$278.59 PAID OUTSTANDING BILLS. Dr. L. White, for medical attendance on small pox cases in 1875, \$28.00 Dr. L. White, for attending Moses Hall, 1875, 3.00 Jones Bros., for goods furnished to J. B. Lovely,

while shut up with small pox, 1875,

shut up with small pox, 1875,

Jones Bros., for goods furnished Mrs. Murphy, while

12.31

34.77

J. M. Putnam, for team, 1875,	\$1.50
John Robbins, for wood furnished Mrs. Prudence	
Balcome, 1876.	7.00
	\$86.58
AT MOUNTED BY DENOUG	
ALMSHOUSE EXPENSES.	
Geo. Abbott, for supplies,	\$26.00
J. H. Dudley, "	19.26
J. O. Shipson,	63.34
" as Superintedent to Apr. 1, 1877,	109.74
" for repairs,	225.00
Eunice Brown, for hay,	52.57 20.00
V. M. Aldrich, for guano,	25.15
Dr. L. White, medical attendance,	6.75
David Richardson, digging grave for S. Davis	2.00
Joseph Bowen, coffin for	10.00
Joseph Bollon, committee	
	\$559.81
STATE PAUPERS.	
Frank Brown, -	\$ 3.00
W. Beach,	2.00
Francis Dio,	2.00
Oliver Gravell, -	23.69
Samuel Landry, -	30.95
Joseph Frezer, -	26.00
Eliza Spycia,	3.00
	\$90.64
PAUPERS AWAY FROM ALMSHOUSE.	
Mrs. Simon Paine,	\$1.75
Alfred Snow, -	2.00
Adolphus Duprey,	4.00
Miletus Luther, -	32.62
Moses Hall,	15.00
Reuben Gassett,	34.20
Eveline Sprague, -	78.00
Julius Gould,	208.00
Herbert E. Elliott, at Reform School, -	16.00
Charles H. Balcome, at Hospital,	196.77
Mary B. Steer, "	255.90
R. G. Palmer and wife,	6.00

Charles Freeman,		\$4.67
Eliza and Saloma Wood,		3.10
Noel Dugas,		46.10
James E. Burpee, -	•	4.00
John Latown,		95.37
		\$1,003.48
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	7.5	
MISOREDITIES ON EMILITIES	<i>3</i> .0.	
C. J. Batcheller, printing,	-	\$58.30
A. F. Jones, on Webster road,		2.25
Cynthia A. Humes, abated tax,		15.84
	- c	10.04
N. W. Preston, obtaining and recording name	s of	
children between the ages of 5 and 15,		12.00
A. J. Dudley, team, broom, &c.,		2.68
Asa Thayer, Room-rent for Town Officers,		20.00
J. H. Dudley, Chains for Town Cemetery,		8.99
	, ,	0.00
Caleb Hill, expenses to Boston, Worcester, Oxfor	d and	
Webster and teams.	-	35.00
Book for Registering Voters,		1.05
David Richardson, mowing Cemetery,	_	5.00
David Smith damage to teem		15.00
Daniel Smith, damage to team,		
A. F. Brown, for reports and counsel,	-	17.00
Wood for Selectmen's Room,		3.06
Charles Fairfield, for use of watering place,	-	5.00
J. M. Rawson, expenses on pauper cases, -		4.75
W. S. Martin, for repairs on Lockup,		4.50
	•	
C. Marcier, for repairs and sundries for Lockup,		7.20
		\$217.62
		1
D II O A D IMILI A MIO M		
RECAPITULATION.		
Town Clerk,	_	\$86.59
Town Treasurer,		
		83.50
Selectmen,	-	236.10
Assessors, -		222.13
School Committee,		88.00
Constable,		9.82
Sealer of Weights and Measures	-	7.00
Tax Collector,		145.00
Sexton's fees,	•	44.00
Repairs of Highways and Bridges,		2125.02
Tramps,		99.19
Removing Snow from Highways,		591.41
Common Schools, -	-	3393.04
Grammar School,		968.32
,		

State A	Aid.		_		_	\$342.00	
Stone		τρ			•	921.75	
Depot						283.50	
Now	and r	near Nelson Potter's	_	_	_	60.00	
Danna	mu, i	ay from Almshouse.	'•	-		1003.48	
rauper	rsaw	ay from Amshouse.	, -		-		
State I				-		90.64	
		Almshouse,	-		-	559.81	
		n Dr. Wood Fund,		-		278.59	
Outsta			-		-	86.58	
Miscell	aneo	us expenses, -		-		217.62	
					6	\$11943.09	
A.	PPR	OPRIATION FO	R $SCHOO$	OL I	PURPO	SES.	
Appror	oriatio	on by the Town,	_			\$2500.00	
		l last year, -		_	,	792.98	
		Fund, -		_		216.50	
		Fown School Fund,	•		•	56.48	
mteres	t or .	rown School Fund,		-		00.40	
						\$3565.96	
						ψουου.υυ	
Dis't N	0. 1.	Appropriation for	1877.	9	\$396.22		
2.001.	0. 1.	Surplus unexpende				- \$600.89	
•6	2.	Appropriation for		,	237.79	- \$0000	
	۷.	Surplus unexpende			158.18-	_ 395.97	
66	0			Γ,		- 590.91	
••	3.				633.92	0.40.10	
		Surplus unexpende		r,	309.24 -	- 943.16	
"	4.				316.98		
		Surplus unexpend		r.	150.82 -	- 467.80	
66	5.				237.73		
		Surplus unexpende	ed last year	r,	148.23-	- 835,96	
66	6.	Appropriation for	1877,		237.73		
		Surplus unexpende			138.18-	- 375.91	
66	7.			,	237.73		
	• • •	Surplus unexpende			164.15-	- 401.88	
6.	8.	Appropriation for		,	237.73	101.00	
	0.	Surplus unexpende			76.27-	- 314.00	
66	0	A resisting for	eu iast year	,	633.92	- 514.00	
••	9.	Appropriation for				075 00	
	* 0	Surplus unexpende		۲,	341.11-	- 975.03	
"	10.	Appropriation for			396.22		
		Surplus unexpende	ed last year	,	220.00-	- 616,22	
						ØF 47C 00	
						\$5476.82	
AMOL	INTS	S DUE THE SEV	ERAL SO	HO	OL DIS	TRICTS	
Dis't N		•	•		•	\$204.10	
	2.	•	-			143.07	

Dis't N	o. 3.	-		-		-	\$338.74
66	4.		-		-		228.39
66	5.	-		-		-	163.70
44	6.		-		-		126.29
44	7.	-		-		-	154.65
66	8.		-		-		144.00
44	9.	-		-		-	343.49
66	10.		-		-		201.35
							\$2047.78
Dog fu	and, ar	ndivided,					\$231.68
Appro	priatio	on for Gran	nmar	School,		\$550.00	
	Surplus unexpended for 1876,					673.02-	_ \$1223.02
		Grammar					\$254.70

The Selectmen further report, that they have settled with the Treasurer, and that his account stands as follows:—

Treasurer's Report.

TOWN OF DOUGLAS, IN ACCOUNT WITH WILLIAM ABBOTT, TREASURER.

1877.	,	Cr.
	D . O . 1 . 1 . 1 . 1	
	By Cash in the Treasury subject to order,	\$3426.04
Mar. 31.	Received of the Town of Townsend, for	
	the support of Reuben Gassett,	24.20
Apr. 28.	Received of A. F. Brown for Auctioneer's	
1	License,	2.00
May 5.	Received of H. F. Dudley for	
•	Liquor License, \$165.00	
" 7.	Received of E. B. Knapp for	
	Liquor License, 165.00	
" 7.	Received of J. Jerman for	
	Liquor License, 165.00	
" 7.	Received of Peter Roberts for	
	Liquor License, 165.00	
" 9.	Received of S. Russell for	
		- 715.00
" 12.	Received of City of Springfield for	
	support of R. G. Palmer,	6.00
June 14.	Borrowed of Whitinsville National Bank.	1000.00

June 23. Received of Daniel S. Buxton, for deed

oune 20.	Received of Daniel S. Buxton, for deed	
	of land sold for taxes,	\$43.75
" 23.	Received of John Hilton, for material for	
	Lockup,	3.88
" 23.	Received of John Hilton, for use of Ledge,	10.00
20.		10.00
July 7.	Received of Town of Townsend, for support	
	of R. Gassett,	10.00
Oct. 27.	Received of Joseph Hall, for High School	
	tuition,	3.50
July 17.	Borrowed of Whitinsville National Bank,	1500.00
Dec. 4.	Received of State Treasurer, for part of	1000.00
Dec. 4.	Corporation tax,	21.22
66 A		41.44
" 4.	Received of State Treasurer, for National	470.00
	Bank tax,	150.85
" 4.	Received of State Treasurer, for State Aid	
	refunded,	396.00
1878.	, ,	
Jan. 18.	Received of County Treasurer, for Dog	
Juli. 10.	Fund,	231.68
" 26 ,		201.00
20.	Received of State Treasurer, for School	201 50
	Fund,	201.52
" 26.	Received of M. W. Brown, for old bridge	
	plank.	6.00
Jan. 31.	Received of Rufus Somerby's entertainment	6.00
1877.	v	
Nov. 6.	Received of N. W. Preston, Collector,	
1101. 0.	receipt for County tax,	1028.25
" B		1020.20
" 6.	Received of N.W. Preston, interest on taxes	* 0 00
	collected after November 1st,	10.20
" 6.	Received of N. W. Preston, Assessors'	
	orders of abatement,	134.12
	Received of N. W. Preston, cash on tax	
	account for 1877,	14504.77
	,	
		\$23,434.98
	TOWN OF DOUGLAS,	
	TOWN OF DOUGLAS,	
1877.		Dr.
Feb'y 6.	Paid Interest on Town note to Eunice	
Leby 0.	of	017.00

Sherman,

National Bank,

Assessors' orders of abatement, 1876,

Asa Thayer, for stamps and stationery

Interest on Town note to Whitinsville

66

Mar. 1.

June 14.

" 1.

\$17.82

14.40

3.50

17.88

June 14.	Paid Interest on three Town notes to	
	Phebe M. Humes,	\$54.09
" 19.	" State Treasurer one-third of money	
	received for Liquor licenses,	178.75
July 17.	" Interest on Town note to Whitins-	
·	ville National Bank,	20.40
Aug. 1.	" Interest on Town note to Salem	
O	Savings Bank,	540.00
Sept. 22.	" Interest on Town note Chloa Dudley,	25.00
" 22.	" N. W. Preston collector taxes on C.	
	I. Rawson land, sold for taxes,	5.70
Oct. 27.	"two notes to Whitinsville National	00
2	Bank,	2,500.00
Nov. 2.	" Salem Savings Bank, on Town note,	2,000.00
" 2.	" " 94 days interest	2,000.00
2.	on \$2,000.	31,32
" 19.	" Interest on Town note to L. S. Jones	180.00
" 6.	" N. W. Preston, for paying County	100.00
0,	tax,	1,028.25
" 6.	" Charles Endicott, State tax,	795.00
" 6.	" Retus Walling interest on Town	130.00
0.	note,	65.70
1878.	note,	05.70
Jan'y 8.	" Note and interest to I. Whinnle	220.10
" 10.	Trote and interest to 12. " hippie,	
" 29.	21.55c55015 Orders of abatement, 1511,	134.12
29.	interest on Town hote to Salem	400.00
•	Savings Bank, " Selectmens' orders to Feb. 1 1878	480.00
	" Selectmens' orders to Feb. 1, 1878,	11,943.09
		\$20,255.03
Cash rama		\$20,200.00
	ining in the hands of your Treasurer, 1, 1878	2 170 05
reby	1, 1070	3,179.95
		\$23,434.98

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM ABBOTT, Treasurer of Douglas.

Douglas, Feb. 1, 1878.

ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Amounts due from the sev	zeral T	Γax Co	llectors :—	
F. W. Hunt, in 1858,	0141 2		110000101	\$33.18
Parley Gould, in 1868,	-		-	23.30
" in 1870,		-		7.78
Due from Chas. I. Rawson, o	an lan	hlos b	for tower	25.14
" " W. H Ward,	JII IAII	u 501u	ioi taxes,	166.58
" for State Aid,				342.00
" from Town of Natick	for	coffin	for Hann	
Hayes, -	, 101	COIIII	ioi iiani.	10.00
Town Farm,				3,000.00
Personal Property at Almsh	Ouse.	_		1,715.93
Bills due from sundry person				34.30
Due from State for State Pa		_		90.64
" J. Hilton, for use			_	37.50
			labor,	36.32
" A. F. Brown,	CITITO	uden s	, labor,	15.00
22. 2. 2.0 (11)		_		10.00
				\$5,537.67
Cash in hands of Treasurer.	-		-	3,179.95
				\$8.717.62
DEBTS DUE	FR	OM T	HE TOW.	N.
Note to Eunice Sherman,				\$297.00
" William Chase,	_		_	2,000.00
" Salem Savings Ban	k			16,000.00
" Ladies' Benevolent		v		140.00
" Samantha R. Shern		-		249.00
" Rebecca J. Fairban	/		_	300.00
" Sarah Walker,	,	_		293.00
" Retus Walling,	-		-	1,095.00
" Chloa Dudley,		_		380.00
" Phebe M. Humes,	-		_	900.00
" Lovina S. Jones,		_		3,000.00
Interest on the above, about	:		•	271.00
				\$24,925.00
Assets of the Town,	_		-	8,717.62
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,				
Showing a balance against t Respectfully submitted,	he To	wn, of		\$16,207.38
2.03pooran, babantud,	CA	TED	HILL)	Salvatman
			HILL, AWSON,	Selectmen of
		EMM		Douglas.
TIT TO TONING A 11.				

W. D. JONES, Auditor.

CASH					REPAIRS DISTRICTS.	IN	THE
Dis't No.	2.		-			9	\$10.57
66	3.	-		-			13.04
66	5.		-		-		5.54
46	7.	-	•	-	-		.60
66	9.		•		-		2.03
						-	221 79

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Overseers of the Poor,

For the Year Ending January 31, 1878.

SUPERINTENDENT. (J. O. Simpson,)

DR.

To Personal Property at Almshouse Jan. 31, 1877,	\$1,714.55
Bills due from sundry persons,	202.03
Supplies for Almshouse, -	225.07
Balance of Superintendent's salary, Apr. 1, 1877,	109.74
" Jan. 31, 1878,	225.00
	\$2,476.39

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By Personal property	at Almshouse	Jan.		
31, 1878,			\$1,715.93	
Bills due from sundry	persons,		248.60	
Board of Geo. Simpson	n,	-	64.00	
Received for labor,	•		28.00-	-\$2,056.53
				\$419.86
Whole number of wee house, for the year,	ks' board of p	paupers	at Alms- 230, at an	

The whole expense to the Town for aid and support of paupers and tramps for the year, is as follows:

\$1.82

average cost per week of about

At Almshouse,	-		-	\$419.86
Away from Almshouse,		-		1,003.48
State paupers,	-		-	90.64
Tramps at Lock-up,		-		99.19
				\$1,613.17

Number of tramps at A	Almshouse, Lock up,	-		189 473
,			_	662

Respectfully submitted,

CALEB HILL,
J. M. RAWSON,
N. EMMONS,
Overseers
of
the Poor.

W. D. JONES, Auditor.

AGENT ON MOSES WALLIS DEVISE,

TO FEB. 1, 1878.

1877.	, , , , , , , , , , , , ,		
Feb. 1.	Value of notes drawing interest,		\$10,078.97
" 1.	Cash in hands of Agent,		596.11
" 1	Accrued interest about,		675.00
			\$11,350.08
	agent has received on Devise, for 18'	77, as fol	lows:
Apr. 1.	Principal on Warren B. Thayer's		
_	note, -	\$200.00	
June 8.	Principal on Willard Dodge's note	250.00	
Sept10.	" Samuel Balcom's "	100.00	
Oct. 25.	" Abel Parker's "	200.00	
Interest	on notes for 1877,	593.28	
Cash fro		596.11-	-\$1,939.39
The A	gent has loaned and paid on Devise		
as follow	's:		,
1877.			
Apr.12.	Loaned Amos A. Humes,	\$350.00	
Mar.22.	" John G. Buffum,	375.00	
Sep.22.	" J. Elwin Cummings,	500.00	
Nov. 9.	" Phoebe Young,	300.00	
Apr. 5.	Paid Appraisers,	6.00	
· · · 5.	Trip to Worcester to examine titles,	5.00	
" 5.	Discharging two deeds,	.50	
" 5.	Recording one deed,	1.10	
" 12.	Expense to Worcester,	2.50	
" 12.	Recording one deed,	1.00	
" 12.	Paid Appraisers,	4.50	
·· 28.	Discharging one Mortgage,	.25	
Sep.20.	Paid Appraisers,	3.00	
. 22.	Paid James Daniel for cleaning		
	Moses Wallis monument,	7.00	
Oct. 12.	Paid Town, County and State Tax,	142.50	
Nov. 9.	" Appraisers,	4,50	
1878.			
Feb. 1.	Services for taking care of Devise,		
	for 1877,	-60.00-	\$1,762.85
1878.	202 2011,		
	cash in hards of Agent,		\$176.54
	notes drawing interest,		10,853.97
	interest, about		722.70
			\$11,753.21
Increase	of Devise, for 1877,		\$403.13

NELSON POTTER, Agent of said Devise.

All of which is respectfully submitted.





